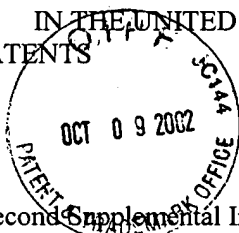


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Serial No.: 10/051,723 Group Art Unit: 1713

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Title: Fibers Comprising Polyhydroxyalkanoate Copolymer/Polylactic Acid Polymer or Copolymer Blends

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